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## SOURCE

1. The following Soviet military personnel were observed in Wiener Neustadt on 10 January 1952:
  - a. About 400 officers and enlisted men are billeted in Bernersdorferstrasse 10-16; they wear white-bordered blue, blue-bordered black and violet-bordered black epaulets. The bands on officers' caps are green. Trucks were parked in the yard.
  - b. The Kommandantura for the town of Wiener-Neustadt is located at Unger-gasse 27. The commanding officer there is reportedly a colonel. The sentry in front of the building wore violet-bordered black epaulets.
  - c. The Soviet RTO office is located at the railroad station; the officer in charge is a colonel wearing a violet cap band.
  - d. Enlisted men and women of an armored unit are billeted in a house on Wienerstrasse.
  - e. The former hospital is now used as a billet for enlisted men wearing black epaulets.
  - f. The former German air force hospital at Weikersdorferstrasse 64 is now a SAF field hospital.
  - g. About 200 enlisted men with blue-bordered white epaulets are billeted in the Heide housing project. About 150 enlisted men with the same epaulets are billeted in the Badener Siedlung.

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- h. The hotel Bernersdorfer Hof is an officers' billet.
- i. The former infantry barracks on Fischauergasse are occupied by enlisted men with blue-bordered white epaulets.
- j. The former military academy on Burgplatz serves as quarters for enlisted men with blue-bordered white epaulets.
- k. About 150 enlisted men wearing blue-bordered white epaulets are billeted on Bodendorferstrasse.
- l. 150 jet planes were counted at the Theresienfeld airfield. The planes were standing on the field in three groups, each group consisting of five lines, with ten planes in every line.
- m. On the highway to Vienna, the following houses are occupied by Soviet troops: 27, 32 and 33 are SAF enlisted men's billets; 34 serves as quarters for 14 officers. 35 is an enlisted men's billet. 37 is an army depot where the motor from a British plane is allegedly stored which a Soviet agent stole from the Zeltweg airfield, according to local inhabitants.
- n. SAF ground personnel numbers about 3,000, plus 1,200 flying personnel, including a large number of female pilots.

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